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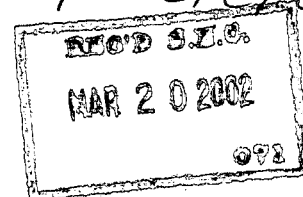
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Dear Ms. Hughes:

The New York Stock Exchange certifies approval for listing and registration under the Securities Exchange Act of 1933, Compass Trust III, 7.35% Capital Securities of Compass Trust III. The NYSE requests simultaneous acceleration of registration of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, together with the 1933 Act. Adequate distribution assured. Form 8-A received on March 20, 2002. Tentative listing date – Not yet determined.

Sincerely,

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